



In re Application of

Alan T. Johnson, et al.

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**For: ALKYL OR ARYL SUBSTITUTED
DIHYDRONAPHTHALENE DERIVATIVES
HAVING RETINOID AND/OR RETINOID
ANTAGONIST-LIKE BIOLOGICAL
ACTIVITY**

Art Unit 1625

Examiner:
C. S. Aulakh

Anaheim, California

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RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION

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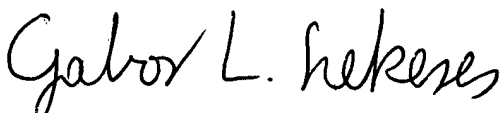
Dear Sir:

In response to the requirement for restriction dated April 29, 2004 Applicant elects Claim Group I, as that group is defined in the office action and wherein the variable **Z** represents $-N=N$, $-N(O)=N$ or $N=N(O)$.

The requirement for restriction is respectfully traversed on the basis that a search directed to the entire subject matter of the claims would not be burdensome.

Simultaneously with the filing of the this response Applicant also files an Information Disclosure Statement that should be deemed timely because it is filed before any office action on the merits.

Respectfully submitted

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